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Applicants respond to the Office Action dated April 28, 2004, within the three-month shortened statutory period that the Examiner has set.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are all the claims pending in the application.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that claims 6-23 are allowed. However, claim 12 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. "New ones" clearly refers to the at least one object oriented class. There is nothing here that would mislead the ordinarily skilled artisan as to the scope of the invention. Therefore, Applicants submit that the claim is sufficiently definite.